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Election of 19 members of the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)

Note by the Secretary-General

1. Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 56/206 of 21 December 2001, the Council is to elect, at its resumed organizational session for 2003, 19 members of the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2004, to fill the vacancies created by the expiration on 31 December 2003 of the terms of the following members: Algeria, Barbados, Benin, Colombia, Croatia, Czech Republic, Germany, Greece, India, Jordan, Kenya, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Norway, Philippines, Spain, Sri Lanka and Uganda.

2. In accordance with paragraph 4 of section I A of General Assembly resolution 56/206, the 19 members are to be elected on the following basis:

Five seats for African States;

Five seats for Asian States;

Two seats for Eastern European States;

Three seats for Latin American and Caribbean States;

Four seats for Western European and other States.

3. The membership of the Governing Council in 2003 is given in the annex below.

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Annex

Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)

(58 members; four-year term)

Membership in 2003

Sixteen seats for African States

Algeria* (2003), Benin* (2003), Burkina Faso (2006), Burundi (2006), Democratic Republic of the Congo (2006), Egypt (2004), Ethiopia (2004), Guinea (2004), Kenya* (2003), Madagascar (2004), Malawi (2006), Morocco* (2003), Senegal (2006), Sierra Leone (2006), Uganda* (2003), United Republic of Tanzania (2004)

Thirteen seats for Asian States

Bangladesh (2004), China (2004), India* (2003), Indonesia (2006), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (2006), Iraq (2004), Japan (2006), Jordan* (2003), Malaysia* (2003), Pakistan (2006), Philippines* (2003), Sri Lanka* (2003), United Arab Emirates (2004)

Six seats for Eastern European States

Croatia* (2003), Czech Republic* (2003), Poland (2006), Republic of Moldova (2004), Russian Federation (2006), the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (2004)

Ten seats for Latin American and Caribbean States

Argentina (2006), Barbados* (2003), Brazil (2006), Chile (2006), Colombia* (2003), Ecuador (2006), Haiti (2004), Jamaica (2004), Mexico* (2003), Trinidad and Tobago (2004)

Thirteen seats for Western European and other States

Austria (2004), Belgium (2004), France (2004), Germany* (2003), Greece* (2003), Italy (2004), Netherlands (2006), Norway* (2003), Spain* (2003), Sweden (2004), Turkey (2006), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2006), United States of America (2006)

* Retiring member.